

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**Federal Railroad Administration** 

[Docket Number FRA-2012-0067]

**Petition for Extension of Waiver of Compliance** 

Under part 211 of title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this document provides the public notice that on November 30, 2022, the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board (JPBX), which owns and operates Caltrain, petitioned the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) for an extension of a waiver of compliance from certain provisions of the Federal railroad safety regulations contained at 49 CFR part 215 (Railroad Freight Car Safety Standards). The relevant FRA Docket Number is FRA-2012-0067.

Specifically, JPBX requested to extend its special approval pursuant to 49 CFR 215.203, *Restricted cars*, for 2 flat-straight deck cars, JPBX 711 and JPBX 712, that are more than 50 years from the date of original construction. JPBX also requests to extend its existing relief from 49 CFR 215.303, *Stenciling of restricted cars*. JPBX seeks to continue use of the cars to transport decorations during its annual Holiday Train event. In support of its request, JPBX states that the cars have been inspected and determined to be safe for continued operation and they will not be interchanged.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at www.regulations.gov.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment and a public hearing, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the

basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate

docket number and may be submitted at <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a>. Follow the online

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final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered if practicable.

Anyone can search the electronic form of any written communications and

comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the

comment (or signing the document, if submitted on behalf of an association, business,

labor union, etc.). Under 5 U.S.C. 553(c), the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)

solicits comments from the public to better inform its processes. DOT posts these

comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to

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FDMS), which can be reviewed at https://www.transportation.gov/privacy. See also

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